IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v. No. CR-00-543 BB

JAVIER ENRIQUE BARRIENTOS-SOLIS,

Defendant.

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court on Defendant's motion to modify term of imprisonment under 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2) (Doc. 71) filed August 22, 2005. Defendant claims that his sentence should be reduced under the Supreme Court's decision in *United States v. Booker*, --- U.S. ---, 125 S. Ct. 738 (2005). The motion will be denied.

Defendant's allegations do not support a claim for reduction of sentence. Under § 3582(c)(2), after a defendant is convicted, if the Sentencing Commission retroactively lowers the applicable sentencing range, U.S.S.G. Ch. 5 Part A, the defendant may move for reduction of sentence in accordance with the factors in 18 U.S.C. §3553(a). *See* § 3582(c)(2); U.S.S.G. § 1B1.10. Here, Defendant contends that the *Booker* decision effectively lowered his sentencing range. As stated recently by the Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit,

We have explained that "'[a] district court is authorized to modify a [d]efendant's sentence only in specified instances where Congress has <u>expressly</u> granted the court jurisdiction to do so." Thus, even if *Booker* could be read to be an implicit lowering of [Defendant]'s sentencing range, § 3582(c)(2) only <u>expressly</u> allows a reduction where the Sentencing Commission, not the Supreme Court, has lowered the range. . . . *Booker* does not provide a basis for a sentence reduction under § 3582(c).

United States v. Price, 438 F.3d 1005, 1007 (10th Cir. 2006) (quoting United States v. Green, 405 F.3d 1180, 1184 (10th Cir. 2005). The relief that Defendant seeks is squarely precluded by the ruling

in Price, and the motion will be denied.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Defendant's motion to modify term of imprisonment under 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2) (Doc. 71) filed August 22, 2005, is DENIED;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, in accordance with *United States v. Espinosa-Talamantes*, 319 F.3d 1245, 1246 (10th Cir. 2003), Defendant is hereby NOTIFIED that a notice of appeal from an order denying a motion under 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c) must be filed within ten days after entry of the order.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE